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The Honorable Charles Terreni
Chief Clerk of the Commission
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Post Office Drawer 11649
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Incorporated d/b/a
AT&T South Carolina, Alltel Communications, Incorporated and Alltel
Holding Corporate Services, Incorporated
Docket No. 2000-130-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing are: (1) AT&T South Carolina's Emergency Motion for Order Acknowledging Withdrawal of Amendment to Interconnection Agreement; and (2) Verified Direct Testimony of AT&T South Carolina Witness Randy Ham that supports the Emergency Motion. For the reasons explained in the Emergency Motion, **AT&T South Carolina respectfully requests that the Commission enter the requested Order no later than May 27, 2008.** In order to facilitate that request, AT&T South Carolina respectfully requests that the Commission appoint a hearing officer to establish an expedited schedule for Alltel Communications, Inc. ("ACI") to submit pre-filed testimony and to hold an evidentiary hearing as quickly as possible.

AT&T South Carolina is not asking the Commission to rule on its Emergency Motion prior to the May 5, 2008 date set forth in the letter it filed in this Docket on April 1, 2008. Nor is AT&T South Carolina suggesting that it is unwilling to continue the ongoing negotiations between the parties to resolve the matters presented in its Emergency Motion. However, as explained in the Emergency Motion, AT&T South Carolina is asking the Commission to enter the requested Order no later than May 27, 2008 in order to avoid any suggestion that the amendment might be deemed approved by operation of law pursuant to Section 252(e)(4) of the federal Telecommunications Act of

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1996.¹ Additionally, AT&T South Carolina recently asked ACI to jointly withdraw the amendment, and to date ACI has not responded to that request.

Under these circumstances, therefore, AT&T South Carolina thought it prudent to file its Emergency Motion at this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick Turner". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Patrick W. Turner

Enclosures

cc: All parties of record

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¹ AT&T South Carolina reserves the right to argue that the amendment would not become effective and/or that it would not be bound by the amendment under the circumstances set forth in the Emergency Motion and in Mr. Ham's verified testimony.